
COMMENCEMENT BAY NRDA RESTORATION

Fact Sheet OLY-1

Trustee Olympic View Phase 2
of the City of Tacoma's Project

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OLYMPIC VIEW (PUGET SOUND PLYWOOD)

TRUSTEE VISION FOR COMMENCEMENT BAYWIDE RESTORATION: The Trustees' vision focuses on restoring the various habitat components of the Commencement Bay ecosystem, such as vegetated shallows, mudflats/salt marshes, off-channel sloughs and lagoons, tidal creeks, freshwater marshes, adjacent well-stratified upland buffers, and naturalized creek and river channels and corridors. The vision places emphasis on baywide restoration through an ecosystem or landscape approach rather than creating isolated fragments of habitats. Each element is intended to function in concert with other elements.

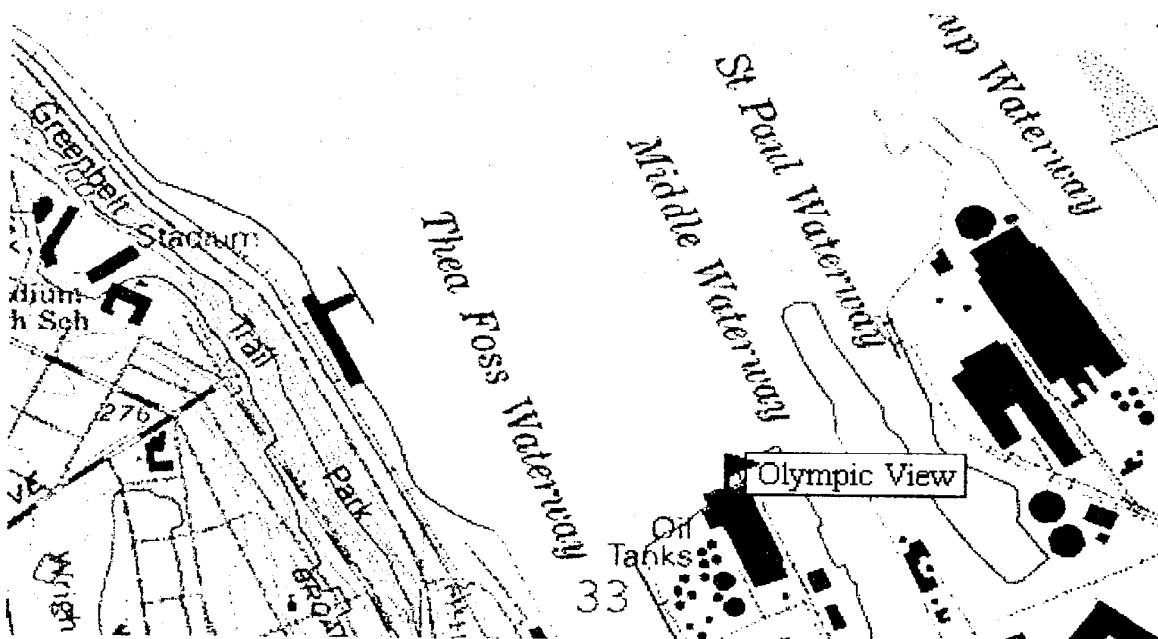
GOALS:

1. Increase the quality and quantity of intertidal habitats on the peninsula between Thea Foss and Middle Waterways.
2. Protect and enhance eelgrass beds.
(Eelgrass supports a greater variety of animals than any other estuarine habitat.)

OBJECTIVES:

1. Restore daylight intertidal areas, enhancing productivity.
2. Remove wooden and concrete encased foundation pilings and shoreline debris.
3. Soften the shoreline to provide enhanced intertidal habitats and a riparian buffer.

PROJECT LOCATION:



**PART 1: SPECIFIC PROJECT TASKS UNDER INITIAL
DESIGN PHASE TO ACHIEVE GOAL:**

1. Develop a design contract scope of work to reconfigure the shoreline and create intertidal habitat.
2. Select design consultant.
3. Determine permit requirements.
4. Determine environmental compliance requirements (federal/tribal/state/local).
5. Assess need for additional sampling.
 - a. Water quality and quantity measurements
6. Develop project plans:
 - a. Intertidal plants plan (evaluation of optimum elevations, types of plants, soils, irrigation needs)
 - b. Landscaping plans (uplands)
 - c. Construction and grading plans
 - d. Engineering drawings and specifications
 - e. Monitoring plan
7. Determine maintenance responsibilities.

**PART 2: INITIAL DESIGN PHASE -
SCHEDULE AND STATUS REPORT:**

Planning meetings for this site have resulted in a preliminary concept drawing that has been adopted in concept by the Trustees. It is anticipated that a design consultant could be under contract in early 1998.

How can the public stay informed and be involved?

Public participation is an important component of restoration planning by helping the Trustees select and shape restoration projects. You are encouraged to become involved in the restoration planning process because the natural resources in Commencement Bay are your resources. The CB/NRDA Trustees hold quarterly public meetings. If you have questions or would like to be on a mailing list to receive notice of opportunities to participate please contact:

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Public notices and meetings will also be announced at <http://www.darcnw.noaa.gov/cb.htm>.
